

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Selich & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager

DATE: July 10, 2015

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

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Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: July 10, 2015

Simpson Strong-Tie Workshop



On June 24, the Building Division hosted a free public workshop with Simpson Strong-Tie. The workshop overwhelming was an success with over members from the public and design community in attendance. Many representatives were at hand discuss design detailing of lateral systems.



Permit Issued

A permit for a new 105,400 square-foot parking structure was issued for 2125 Westcliff Drive. The new 4-level parking structure will serve a revitalized medical center called "The Walk", which consists of 2 new medical offices and the remodel of an existing office building.

Protection of Nesting Birds

We are great stewards of the precious birds which live in or frequent our City. However, sometimes activities on private property don't follow the same practices. The attached flyer was developed to spread awareness of federal and state mandates to protect nesting birds within our community and methods to ensure active nests are not harmed during construction or tree trimming activities. The flyer has been posted on the City's website and it will be distributed at the City's Permit Center. Our Code Enforcement team will also distribute the flyer in the field when interacting with construction crews, and we will be mailing the flyer to all the City's local homeowner associations and franchised haulers.



Protection of Nesting Birds During Construction & Tree Trimming

Did you know?

TO HARM OR KILL A NATIVE BIRD IS A VIOLATION OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAW



State & Federal Laws Protect ALL Native Birds

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) is one of the nation's oldest environmental laws passed in 1918. Under the provisions of the MBTA, it is unlawful "by any means or manner to pursue, hunt, take, capture (or) kill" any migratory birds except as permitted by regulations issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). The term "take" is defined by FWS regulation to mean to "pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture or collect" any migratory bird or any part, nest or egg of any migratory bird covered by the conventions, or to attempt those activities.

Migratory birds include all native birds in the United States, except those non-migratory species such as quail, that are managed by individual states.

California Fish and Game Code Section 3513 provides protection to the birds listed under the MBTA, essentially all native birds. Other Fish and Game Codes provide further protection to certain types of birds, such as raptors.

City of Newport Beach
Community Development Department
100 Civic Center Drive

Newport Beach, CA 92660

How Can You Avoid Nesting Birds During Construction & Tree Trimming?

- ⇒ Conduct brush removal, tree trimming, building demolition, or grading activities outside of the nesting season. California Department of Fish and Wildlife biologists have defined the nesting season as **February 1st through August 15th.**
- ⇒ If other timing restrictions make it impossible to avoid the nesting season, the construction areas should be surveyed for nesting birds and active nests should be avoided as described below:
 - ◆ Inspect the construction areas for active nests. If adult birds are observed flying to and from a nest, or sitting on a nest, it can be assumed that the nest is active. Construction activity within 300 feet of an active nest should be delayed until the nest is no longer active. Keep watch on the active nest, and when the chicks have left the nest and activity is no longer observed around the nest, it is safe to continue construction activity in the nest area, including removal of the nest.
 - Consider hiring a biologist to assist with the survey for nesting birds and to determine when it is safe to commence construction activities. Depending on the size of the construction area, a professional survey may only take an hour or two. If an active nest is found, one or two short follow-up surveys would be needed to check on the nest and determine when the nest is no longer active.

ALL Native Birds are Protected

Since only a few birds encountered in the City of Newport Beach are not protected (e.g. European starlings and house sparrows), it is safe to assume that any nest you encounter should be avoided.





For More Information

For more information on the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, see http://www.fws.gov/pacific/migratorybir ds/mbta.htm. For questions, contact the US Fish and Wildlife (916-414-6464) or California Department of Fish and Wildlife office (909-484-0459).

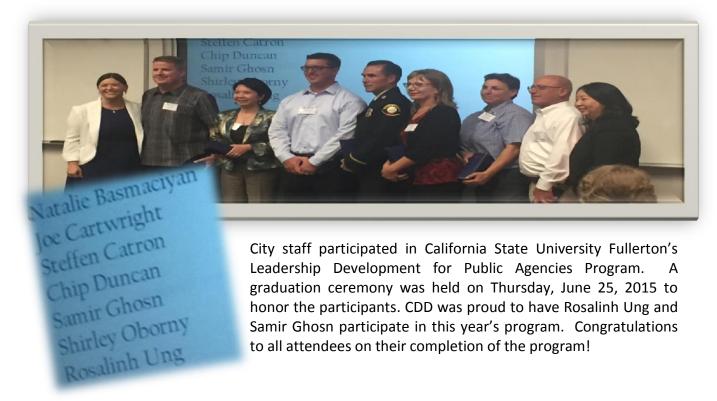
Municipal Operations Tree Division (Parkway Trees): 949-644-3055

Code Enforcement: 949-644-3215 Permit Information: 949-718-1888



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

California State University Fullerton Leadership Graduation





CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER Finance Department

Date: July 10, 2015

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

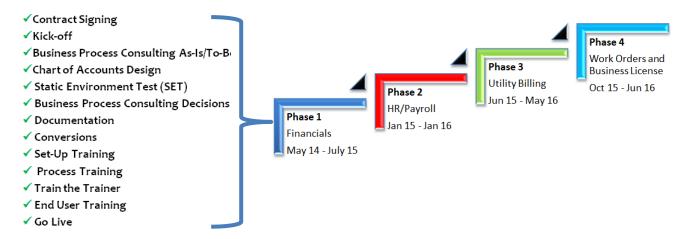
Munis ERP Financial Applications Are Now Open!

After 13 months of hard work, Finance and IT celebrated the opening of the Financial portion of the new integrated Financial Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system on July 7. A ribbon cutting ceremony in Bay 2C culminated months of business process requirement analysis, project planning, configuration of features and functionalities, conversion of historical data, testing and installation, and training.





The ERP implementation consists of four major overlapping phases. The graphic below depicts the various project phase start and go live dates, beginning in 2014 through 2016.



The Financials phase will bring in the following modules that will replace the City's existing 20plus-year-old system or introduce entirely new functionality to the Financials work environment:

General Ledger	Budget	Projects and Grants
Purchasing	Accounts Payable	Contracts Management
Inventory	Fixed Assets	

Key representatives from each department were trained to use the system in June including Managers/Approvers (basic training) and End Users (more detailed process training). The Harbor Island Conference Room in Bay C, second level, is presently set-up and available for staff to stop by for any assistance and questions related to system functionality.

The City will benefit from the ERP System by stronger decision support (better and timelier information), expanded use of online applications to improve customer convenience, and numerous workflow process improvements that will streamline and enhance workplace efficiency. The improved integration will also enhance the reporting capability City staff will have in order to provide more accurate information for consideration in the decision making process.

The City of Newport Beach is Honored with Two Awards

The Association of California Cities of Orange County (ACCOC) recognized the Police and Finance Departments by awarding each department the Golden Hub of Innovation in the



categories of Public Safety and Budgeting and Finance.

Budget and Finance Award

While the City had deployed many strategies to mitigate its pension liabilities, quantifying the merits of paying down our unfunded liability sooner had always been a challenge since the expected payment schedule had been difficult to replicate and analyze.

CalPERS's "rate smoothing" methodologies utilize multiple amortization bases, each with different terms and amortization methods. With no out-of-pocket costs, City staff was able to work with CalPERS' actuaries to understand and replicate the precise amortization methods used in the actuarial valuation. City staff was then able to develop an analytical framework that allowed for accurate and quantifiable savings associated with various alternative payment options when comparing each to the default payment schedule.

In order to achieve some level of rate smoothing, the 30-year CalPERS payment schedule negatively amortizes for the first 10 years. This means that the first 10 years of the amortization payment is less than the annual interest on the unfunded liability. This produces negative amortization, and without offsetting gains, would increase the unfunded liability. City staff was able to identify and recommend a new funding schedule, adopted by the City Council, which will save the City \$129 million over 30 years. This represents a savings of \$47 million (in today's dollars) when discounted at 3%.

The new funding schedule adopted by the City Council will improve the funded status of the plans faster than the default schedule and avoided negative amortization. If all actuarial assumptions are met going forward, the unfunded obligation will be paid off over 19 years, which is 11 years or 37% faster than the previous schedule.

Donations and Grants

The City Manager accepted the following donations or grants on behalf of the City during the quarter ending June 30, 2015. Council Policy F-3, Section C.2, states the Council is to be formally notified each quarter of the acceptance of such funds. A total of \$11,903 was accepted.

Source	Date	Amount	Use
JAG GRANT	04-06-15	\$1,005	CRIME PREVENTION SPECIALIST COSTS
FIREMAN'S FUND HERITAGE GRANT	04-28-15	\$5,500	EQUIPMENT, TRAINING AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS
SURFRIDER FOUNDATION	06-02-15	\$4,898	BOTTLE FILLER AT 15TH STREET
PRIVATE DONATION	06-30-15	\$500	CENTRAL LIBRARY-LITERACY PROGRAM



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: July 10, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

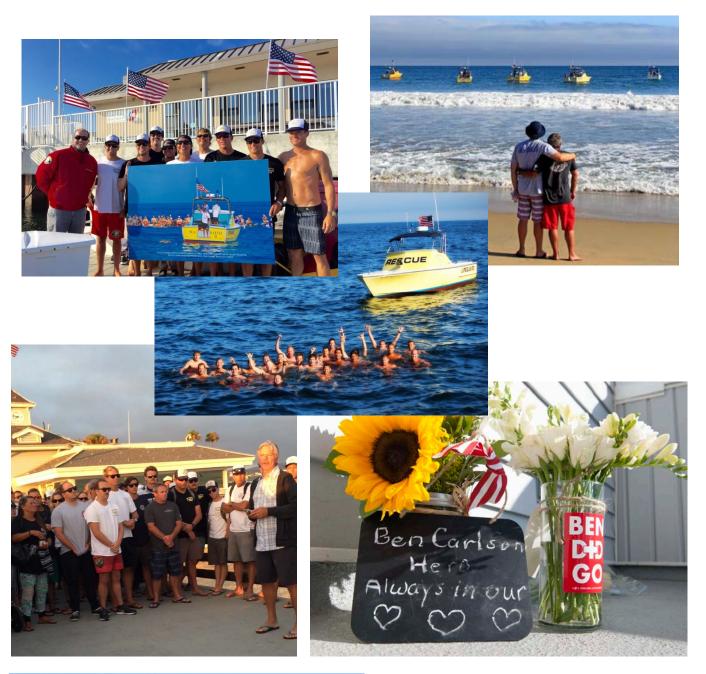
July 6, 2015 was the one-year anniversary of the tragic line of duty death of Lifeguard Ben Carlson. Two private events were held in his honor.

At 5:18pm, lifeguards on the beach joined our three lifeguard boats, along with boats from Huntington State and Huntington City beaches, and gathered at 16th Street, the site of Ben's last rescue. Lifeguard Captain Gary Conwell delivered a touching radio call that was broadcast to all Orange County Lifeguard agencies. He reminded all of us that we unselfishly go into harm's way, risking our lives to save another.



At 7:30pm, approximately 400 people gathered in McFadden Square and walked up the Newport Pier where Ben's father, Chris Carlson, delivered a passionate message and prayer. With the sound of the surf in the background, all paid attention to every word Chris uttered. His words were praise and appreciation for all those that assisted their family through a tragedy that changed their lives. Ben's loss did bring thousands of people together and highlighted the risks our lifeguards take each time they enter the water to rescue a swimmer in distress.

Ben's death was a loss for humanity, but in essence his loss will ultimately save many lives as beachgoers on every beach have renewed respect for lifeguards and the enormous power of the ocean.









Ben is a hero ...

and will never be forgotten.

Lifeguard Stats for January 1 - June 30, 2015

PUBLIC CONTACT	27,210
REUNITED PERSONS	125
FIRST AIDS/MEDICAL AIDS	965
PREVENTATIVES	30,252
RESCUES	941
TOTAL CALLS	67,783
BEACH ATTENDANCE	4,014,570

The Fourth of July concluded with no major incidents on the City's beaches. Newport Beach Lifeguards were busy all day, at a steady but manageable pace, aided by additional staff brought on for the expected surge.

The surf was 2-3 feet, with increased rip current activity. Almost 50 people were rescued from the surf, and lifeguards made 1,438 preventative actions, warning beachgoers away from building surf conditions. Our three rescue boats made 23 boat warnings, and assisted in swimmer rescues in West Newport and near the Newport Pier.

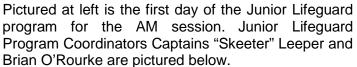
<u>Lifeguard Statistics for July 4, 2015:</u>

PUBLIC CONTACT	2,521
BOAT WARNING	23
FIRST AIDS/MEDICAL AIDS	56
PREVENTATIVES	1,438
RESCUES	46
BEACH ATTENDANCE	125,000

Junior Lifeguards

The 2015 Junior Lifeguard season began on June 23. Two sessions were offered, one in the morning from 9:00am-12:00pm, and one in the afternoon from 1:00pm-4:00pm. There are 1,315 participants this summer.









On June 26, Peninsula Point Association held an appreciation dinner for all fire and lifeguard personnel. It was great to see the support for our department. They supported over 350 people this year, and even sent *TK Burger* meals to every lifeguard on the beach. This may turn out to be an annual event -- it was very impressive.

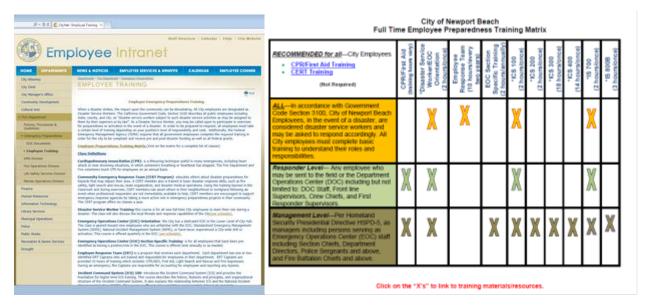
On Tuesday, June 30, Newport Beach experienced inclement weather and the Lifeguards evacuated the beaches on a voluntary basis. The Jr. Lifeguard instructors ended their afternoon session 20 minutes early as a precaution. This was the first time in 31 years of the Jr. Lifeguards program that lightening has caused the program to end early.

New Employee Preparedness Webpage

A new webpage has been developed on the City's Intranet to help full-time employees locate the required and recommended preparedness classes. As a reminder, all full-time employees are considered Disaster Service Workers by law, and must complete a level of training based on their position. There are also optional classes the Fire Department offers to enhance employee's preparedness levels (CERT, CPR).

The new webpage includes a Training matrix that provides a resource for employees to identify what level they are and the associated classes they are required to take in order for the City to be compliant with the State and FEMA. Once employees have completed the online classes,

they need to send a copy of their certificate(s) to Katie Eing. All records are tracked in a database system which hopefully will evolve to the new ERP system. The new website can be found on the Intranet under the Employee Corner.



Thank You for Your Service Mr. Logan

Hugh Logan has served on the Civil Service Board for eight years, and timed out this month. During his tenure, he has dealt with numerous situations pertaining to civil service employees. He and his wife Caroline have involved been with nearly every department event. They are core members of Newport Beach's Community Emergency Response Team. Whenever I attend a fire department or CERT event, I can count on one thing, Hugh Logan will be there with a smile on his face and extend his hand to greet Mr. Logan has demonstrated compassion and fairness in all aspects of his duties, but more than that, he is a man of character who is committed to public safety and the community. I will miss him on the Civil Service Board.



LIFE SAFETY SERVICES DIVISION

4th of July Fireworks Roundup

Life Safety Services and Fire Operations personnel were on hand at the Newport Dunes and Big Canyon Country Club to ensure pyrotechnic displays were safe for all to enjoy. Big Canyon Country Club launched approximately 650 aerial fireworks. Before the show began, Life Safety Specialists cleared the "Fallout" zones of any bystanders, conducted inspections of the mortar racks and launch tubes, and confirmed the quantity, size and condition of the pyrotechnics. Fire

Department engines were on scene to quickly respond to any unforeseen problems if needed. Happily, all fireworks shows were incident free.

Finale #1

Line of Racks & Tubes





Illegal Fireworks Collection

The Orange County Sheriff Bomb Squad confiscated over 22 pounds of illegal fireworks, 4 pounds of which were Safe & Sane (illegal in Newport Beach) with the rest classified as dangerous.



Vegetative Fuel Reduction Efforts Highlight Drought Conditions



structure fire.

The Life Safety Services Division enforces the City and State vegetation management requirements in the City's Wildland Urban Interface (WUI), and other areas within the City to reduce the impact of vegetation fires. Depending on the area of the City, vegetation management consists of three different programs: Weed Abatement, Hazard Reduction, and Fuel Modification.

This year, due to drought and water conservation efforts, a number of properties had abnormally high counts of dead or dying vegetation that are required to be mitigated.

Weed reduction and thinning of City-owned properties were completed at the end of June.

While inspections are conducted annually, properties should be maintained throughout the year to reduce fuel loading in order to protect their structure from the threat of a wildfire, and to protect the wildland areas from the threat of a

EMS DIVISION

As usual, July 4th weekend was a busy one for the Fire Department. On Saturday, the number of dispatched calls was more than double the amount of calls for a normal, busy summer weekend day.

FIRE DISPATCHED CALLS 7/3 - 7/5 2015	
TYPE	AMOUNT
Medical	105
Fire Alarms	10
Traffic Accidents	8
Misc. Fires	7
Public Assistance	6
Downed Power Lines	1
Hazardous Spill	1
Flooding	1
Gas Leak	1
TOTAL	140

New Nurse Educators



Please welcome Jessica Thompson and Lauren Lee to the Newport Beach Fire Department. They will be working as part-time, contract nurse educators for the EMS Division. They both have extensive backgrounds in Emergency Medicine. Jessica and Lauren currently work for local hospitals and have spent time as RNs in Orange County hospital Emergency Departments. They will be assisting with training classes, skills validation, CQI studies, and immunizations.



Lauren Lee

Jessica Thompson

TRAINING SERVICES

Training Services had a safe and sane 4th of July, with our fire crews responding to over 70 incidents. The Training Services Section doubles as the Fire Department's Safety Officers. They respond to complex incidents and ensure not only the safety of the public, but that of our firefighters while



working in high stress, dangerous environments. The Safety Officer reports directly to the Incident Commander and has emergency authority to stop any unsafe acts.

Pictured above is a vehicle accident in which Newport Safety 7 had responded.

FIRE OPERATIONS

Recently promoted Fire Captains and Battalion Chiefs, along with prospective candidates, attended Leadership Cohort classes to prepare them for leadership positions.

On Friday, June 12, one firefighter was injured fighting a boat fire. Unburned fuel in the bilge reignited forcing crews off the boat. The firefighter sustained minor burns to his lower leg. He was treated and returned to full duty.

Assistant Chief Chip Duncan graduated from CSUF Leadership Development for Public Agencies program. The class selected him to speak at the graduation on June 25, on behalf of the graduating class.

This year, the July 4th emergency responses increased 15% over last year, with 74 calls for service. Most of the calls were emergency medical calls and nuisance fires, with no significant incidents related to fireworks.

All fire suppression personnel have completed wildland safety training and are prepared for the 2015 fire season.



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: July 10, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Terri L. Cassidy, J.D., Deputy City Manager/HR Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

Newport Beach Honors Employees at Service Awards Luncheon

The 55th Annual Employee Service Awards event was a huge success! City employees were recognized for their hard work and years of service during the luncheon on June 18. The Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Service Awards Committee transformed the grounds of the Civic Center into a tropical paradise for a few fun-filled hours. We would like to thank the Chamber and local business for their generosity, time, and donations of food and raffle prizes. More than 330 employees reached a service milestone by completing 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 or 35 years of service to the City and the community in 2014 and 2015. A special award was presented to John Carpenter for his 45 years of service as a Newport Beach Lifeguard.

City Manager Dave Kiff issued the Teamwork Award to the many staff members who came together to coordinate and host the Ben Carlson Memorial event in July 2014 honoring the fallen lifeguard. The Dorothy Palen Employee of the Year was awarded to Assistant City Attorney Leonie Mulvihill for her dependability, integrity, initiative, judgment and cooperation.











We would like to express our appreciation to the following sponsors and staff:

Community Sponsors:

20th Street Beach & Bikes

The Bungalow

Burnham Ward Properties

Butterfly Equity Partners

Chick-fil-A

DJM Capital Partners

El Ranchito Restaurant

Fresh Brothers

Lemonade

Lido Marina Village

The Mint Kitchen

Newport Dunes Resort

Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce

Newport Beach Firefighters Association

Premier Realty Holdings

Slapfish

Stream

Committee Members:

Terri Cassidy (co-chair)

Laura Detweiler (co-chair)

Julie Anding

Jonathon Harmon

Brenda Bennett

Kerran Lakin

Jennifer Biddle

Crystal Luna

Lisa Buzby

Jennifer Mulvey

Leslie Campbell

Sonia Villalvazo

Terri Craig

Tu Phan

Lucie Delorme











CSUF Leadership Development Program – Meet the Graduating Class of 2014/2015

HR Manager Sheri Anderson attended the California State University, Fullerton - Orange County Public Agency Consortium Leadership Development for Public Agencies Program graduation ceremony on June 25. The 2014 and 2015 graduating classes included seven City of Newport Beach employees:

- Chip Duncan, Assistant Fire Chief
- Joe Cartwright, Police Lieutenant
- Natalie Basmaciyan; Librarian III
- Rosalinh Ung, Associate Planner
- Samir Ghosn, Principal Civil Engineer
- Shirley Oborny, Executive Asst to the City Manager
- Steffen Catron, Field Superintendent II





The ceremony commenced with remarks from Former State Senator Lou Correa. Assistant Fire Chief Chip Duncan delivered a speech sharing his learning and professional development experiences achieved through attending the program. We congratulate the graduating employees and are proud to continue providing this valuable leadership development opportunity, which improves the service delivery to the residents and visitors of Newport Beach.



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



July 10, 2015

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

Summer Reading Program

Summer is in full swing and the Library is clearly a favorite place to be. The Children's Room is bustling with activity. Teen volunteers are manning the Summer Reading table, registering kids for the Summer Reading and rewarding them with prizes. Special programs, such as this week's Sundance Dog Show, have been a big hit at all locations with capacity crowds enjoying the events.

New Face in Library Administration Office

There's a new, but familiar face, greeting you when you visit the Administration Office at the Central Library. Francine Jacome, formerly with Literacy Services, began full time as a Department Assistant this week. Her positive nature and commitment to service and community, combined with topnotch office skills, make her a great addition to our team.





PSAT Practice Test

School is not completely forgotten during the summer. In fact, Teen Services had to turn away requests to be included in the PSAT Practice Test session that will be held this Saturday at the Central Library in partnership with Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions. Over 70 students will sit for the practice exam to discover where their strengths and weaknesses are before they take the real test.

Cultural Arts Services

Concert on the Green on Sunday, July 12

The City Arts Commission will be presenting the second of the Concerts on the Green this Sunday, July 12. The concert will feature Sligo Rags, playing Celtic Bluegrass Fusion. Their unique blend of folk music fused with eclectic influences from country, jazz, rock and swing appeals to all ages and their music virtuosity will be a treat for listeners.



Master Arts and Culture Plan

The Newport Beach City Arts Commission held a study session prior to their regular meeting this week, encouraging local community members to provide input on the Master Arts and Culture Plan. Two more study sessions are planned for the hour before the City Arts Commission meetings in August and September.

Shakespeare by the Sea

Midsummer merriment comes to Newport Beach with two performances of Shakespeare by the Sea next weekend, July 18-19. This is the 14th year that the City Arts Commission has sponsored the events. Shakespeare's masterful drama "The Tempest" will be staged Saturday night with the lighthearted comedy "As You Like It" on Sunday. Both performances will be held at Bonita Canyon Sports Park and begin at 7p.m.

Cultural Arts Grants

Applications instructions for Cultural Arts Grants have been posted on the City Website under Cultural Arts/Cultural Arts Grants. The City Arts Commission will accept applications requesting funding for projects/programs that directly benefit children and adults living in Newport Beach, and schools within the City's geographic boundaries. The deadline for submission of applications is September 25, 2015.



July 10, 2015

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Co-Directors

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

Introducing...

It is with great pleasure to announce that the Municipal Operations Department (MOD) has a new Administrative Manager! Cynthia Owens has joined the MOD team.

Cynthia comes to us from the City of Anaheim where she was an Administrative Analyst with their Fire Department. She previously worked for the City of Moreno Valley in both the Fire Department and the City Manger's Office. Cynthia has a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a Master in Public Administration. Her office is located at the Utilities Yard – please join us in welcoming her on board.



July 4th Weekend

Field Maintenance crews were busy over the holiday weekend performing various duties to ensure the City remained presentable for our residents and visitors. Their activities over the three day weekend consisted of:

- Cleaning and preparing the beaches as well as the surrounding areas for visitors on the morning of July 4th;
- Providing the Police Department with barricades and assisting with lane closures for the Lido Island, Balboa Peninsula, and Channel Park July 4th parades;
- · Assisting with street closures for the Back Bay fireworks show; and
- Removing approximately 30 tons of trash and litter from the beaches, surrounding sidewalks and streets during the early morning hours of July 5th utilizing various methods for debris removal including hand sweeping, physical labor, and street sweepers.







Staff members did an outstanding job cleaning the streets and beaches in West Newport, the Balboa Peninsula, and Corona del Mar. By 9:30am Sunday, the areas had returned to their normal state of cleanliness.

Southern California Edison (SCE) Power Outage



On July 4th at 8 a.m., an SCE power outage affected the China Cove, Buck Gully and wastewater Shores pump stations. Utilities Duty personnel responded to the alarms with three emergency generators to ensure that there sanitary were no overflows. Due to the proximity to the harbor and ocean, quick response was imperative, since any spill would have caused a minimum three-day beach and water contact closure.

A special thanks to Water Production Operator Paul

Heydorff, Utilities Senior Specialist Tim Merrill and Utilities Specialist Rene Canas for a job well done!

Tide Duty Staff Saves an Area from Flooding



Over the July 4th Holiday weekend, Tide Duty crewmembers Harold Link and Rich Trevino were able to utilize their training and experience to get a "save". On the evening of Friday, July 3rd, with the Peninsula full of holiday revelers, Southern California Edison (SCE) was pumping water out of one of their large transformer vaults that was full of water on Main Street. Smoke started to emerge from the SCE vault, and their pumping operations could not be stopped without losing power to the Balboa Village area.

Tide Duty crew members noticed that A and B Street ends were starting to fill up with water from Edison's pumping

operation as the tidal valves were closed for the evening's 7.4' tide. At the direction of Storm Drain Crew Chief Larry Hemphill, the water was drained off the streets by manually opening the valves. As the tide rose, the valves were shut and pumps were then utilized to remove the water from the streets. SCE was able to make their repairs to the vault without further incident. Due to the crew's preparedness for these types

of situations, flooding in this high traffic/visibility area during a holiday weekend was prevented.

New Trees Installed at Gateway Park

Recently, staff coordinated the installation of one Date Palm - *Phoenix dactylifera* at Gateway Park to replace the Canary Island Date Palm - *Phoenix canariensis* that was removed in 2014 as a result of Fusarium Wilt. Fusarium Wilt is caused by a fungus, Fusarium oxysporum, which leads to the eventual death of the infected tree.

Municipal Operations staff selected the *Phoenix dactylifera* due to its higher resistance to the Fusarium Wilt disease, and has similar appearance to the *Phoenix canariensis*. The recently added Palm trees restored the dramatic appearance of Gateway Park to welcome visitors to the Balboa Peninsula.

MOD Hits Its Mark with the Basin Pumping Percentage

The City of Newport Beach operates four wells that pump water from a groundwater basin managed by the Orange County Water District (OCWD). Every year OCWD sets the Basin Pumping Percentage (BPP) for its member agencies. BPP is the percentage of water that is allowed to be pumped from the groundwater basin versus purchased from the Metropolitan Water District (MET), which is twice the cost. The 2014/2015 fiscal year BPP goal for the City was 72%. Through careful management and operation of our well sites and MET connections by the Water Production Division, the City of Newport Beach came in at 72.0027%, which ensured a significant cost savings for the City.

St. James Place Turf Median Renovation

In response to Level 3 water restrictions from the state, the City has discontinued the use of potable water to irrigate turf medians citywide. To keep up the attractive appearance of these medians, renovations are occurring throughout the City that includes the replacement of turf grass with Water District-approved landscaping. A recently completed smaller median renovation project is on St. James Place. City staff replaced the turf grass with Star Jasmine; installed a decomposed granite edging to accommodate foot traffic from curbside parking and minimize irrigation runoff; and converted the irrigation sprinklers to low-precipitation, rotating nozzles.

Before

After





And Finally...

Our Beach Crew staff occasionally find items dropped or left behind on the beach. Items of value are turned over to the Police Department to either contact the owner (in the case of wallets or credit cards), or to store items where ownership cannot be readily determined, such as car keys. The following letter appeared in the Daily Pilot this week, giving Beach Maintenance Supervisor Joe Delgado and Crewmember Mike McGill compliments for both the cleanup efforts on Sunday the 5th and the retrieval of the resident's car key.

Unsung heroes keep our city beaches clean

I would like to heap some deserved praise on the beach crew in Newport Beach.

When I arrived before 6 a.m. at the beach north of Newport Pier on Sunday, the cleanup crew was already hard at work undoing the ravages of the day and night before.

Within an hour, the workers had the parking lot and most of the beach cleaned up. The bulk of the rubbish not in containers was left at the bases of already overflowing receptacles, a definite improvement over done-and-drop behavior of holidays past.

After having my coffee and conversing with a few of the regulars, and seeing that the waves were far too gentle for surfing, I was turning to go and found, to my horror, that I had lost my car key. I quickly retraced my steps, which led me past a city worker named Joe, with whom I am acquainted. I told him that I was looking for my key. He had not seen it.

Then, as I was walking back to my car on the beachfront walk, I called my wife to report my situation. A beach visitor overheard my conversation, thank goodness, and asked if the key I had lost was for a Honda. I replied that indeed it was. He had found it and had given it to another member of the Newport Beach cleanup crew.

I then went back to Joe, who made a quick phone call to his crew, who did have my key. He left to go retrieve it as I left to go feed my parking meter. In about 10 minutes, he returned with my key and saved my dignity.

As a longtime Newport Beach resident and surfer, I have come to know many of the city crewmembers at the beach. They are unsung heroes in my book. It may not be a glamorous job, but they are hard workers and definitely add to the glamour of the city by keeping our beaches from becoming undesirable eyesores. My heartfelt thanks to Joe and the crew. They rock!

Michael Hope

Newport Beach



NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: July 10, 2015

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

4TH OF JULY RECAP

This year, the Department deployed close to 200 officers in support of the 4th of July holiday. This number includes Motor Officers from the California Highway Patrol, Mounted Officers from the Orange County Regional Mounted Enforcement Unit, Mobile Booking personnel from the Orange County Sheriff's Department, and Officers from the Police Departments in Irvine, Orange, Santa Ana, Anaheim, and UCI.

This marked our third year with no major road closures and the second year in a row that the Department did not open a Mobile Command Center on Balboa Peninsula (all Police Department operations were based at the station on Santa Barbara Drive). The Department made 94 arrests between 6:00 p.m. on July 3 and 6:00 a.m. on July 5, which is 26 fewer arrests than last year during the same period – a reduction of more than 20%. That statistic is pretty remarkable, given that this year's holiday fell on a Saturday. Despite the large crowds, the great majority of revelers were cooperative and law-abiding, allowing officers to keep disruptions to a minimum.

After weeks of intense planning, the personnel involved in this holiday deployment demonstrated commendable focus and dedication throughout the long weekend. Residents and visitors were able to enjoy a safe Independence Day, without any major incidents to disrupt the celebration.



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SPECIAL OLYMPICS TORCH RUN

On Monday, July 20, the *Flame of Hope* - the official torch of the Special Olympics World Games Los Angeles 2015 - will be carried through our City to a ceremony at the Civic Center Community Room. Runners from the Newport Beach Police Department will join Special Olympics athletes in bearing the flame as they participate in the Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg.

We would like to invite all City employees and members of the Community to join us in welcoming these torch-bearers as they enter the Civic Center. A short ceremony will follow in the Community Room, with a speech from a Special Olympics athlete about the significance of the Final Leg of the Torch Run and its relationship to the upcoming World Games.

Join us







12 NOON

to welcome the Flame of Hope





to Newport Beach!

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Throughout the Final Leg of the Torch Run, law enforcement officers from around the world will be spreading the message of acceptance and inclusion for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. The *Flame of Hope* will complete its journey on July 25, when the Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg team carries it into the Opening Ceremony of the 2015 World Games. There, at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, it will ignite the cauldron at the same site of the 1932 and 1984 Olympics Opening Ceremonies. The 2015 Special Olympics World Games, which will be televised on ESPN, will be the largest event hosted by Los Angeles since the 1984 Olympic Games.

Over 7,000 athletes, representing 170 countries, will travel from Southern California to compete in 25 events over a nine-day period. This event, which is expected to draw over 500,000 spectators, will give the athletes the opportunity to showcase their talent, skills, determination, and courage on a global stage.

For more information on the 2015 Special Olympics World Games, visit www.LA2015.org.

NBPD RECEIVES "GOLDEN HUB OF INNOVATION" AWARD

On Thursday, June 25, the Association of California Cities – Orange County (ACC-OC) hosted its 4th annual Golden Hub of Innovation Awards at the Discovery Science Center in Santa Ana. These awards are intended to publicly highlight and commend cities and other local governments for the development and implementation of creative solutions. Winners are those cities and agencies whose programs best reflect the spirit of the award, with a focus on originality and measurable savings to taxpayers.



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This year, the Newport Beach Police Department was selected as the winner in the Law Enforcement category in recognition of the successful "The Stolen Collection" campaign. As you may remember, NBPD launched The Stolen Collection in the fall of 2013 to address property crime, an issue that costs Newport Beach 19,360 hours of police time and more than \$10,000,000 to investigate on an annual basis. We partnered with a private advertising agency to craft a campaign that would help educate the community about property theft. The goal was simple: reduce property crimes without increasing police presence.

The Stolen Collection featured models, posing as thieves with stolen goods, in the format and style of a designer fashion ad. The images were accompanied by a simple statement: "Secure your valuables or lose them." The campaign was featured throughout the City of Newport Beach with placements on local buses, at gas stations, on local television broadcasts, and through a robust social media and online presence.

READY FOR ANOTHER CHALLENGE?

Our 2015 Resolution Challenge continues, and we have just passed the halfway mark! In preparation for National Night Out 2015, we are encouraging all members of the Community to start planning their own NNO events in their neighborhoods.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Held on the first Tuesday in August, NNO provides an opportunity to bring police and neighbors together and to

bring back a true sense of community to our neighborhoods. The annual theme is "Give neighborhood crime and drugs a going away party".

So, are you up for the challenge? Take the month of July to plan a block party, ice cream social, potluck, or other neighborhood get-together for the evening of Tuesday, August 4. Register your event, and receive tips and advice, here.

For more information on the Resolution Challenge, and to enter to win, go to www.nbpd.org/resolution. And remember: all of your monthly entries will also be used in the grand prize drawings at the end of the year.



DID YOU PLAY "REALITY CHECK"?

Last month, NBPD invited the Community to join us for the first edition of "Reality Check", a game where you try to separate fact from fiction. We presented three stories of officer kindness, but only one of them was true. Did you pick the right one? See our short <u>video</u> to find out!



If you want to review all three stories, you can find them here.

We are pleased to announce that seventy-five people chose the right answer. Bravo! From that group, a random number generator has chosen three lucky contestants to receive special group tours of the Police Department. Thank you to everyone who participated, and congratulations to our winners!

Public Works Department City Manager's Newsletter

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director

Date: July 10, 2015



TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER HELPED KEEP THINGS MOVING ON THE 4TH

Every 4th of July, a large number of visitors make an annual migration into the City of

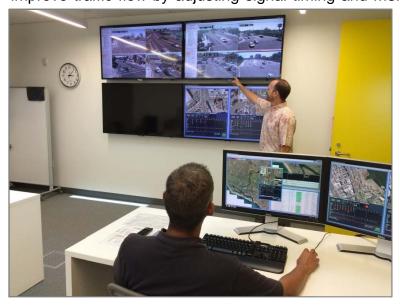
Newport Beach to celebrate our nation's independence. The sudden influx of vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians challenges the City's transportation network and pushes the transportation system beyond capacity, leading to congestion and delays. With the 4th of July being on a Saturday, heavy traffic began on Friday and continued through addition. Southern Sunday. In experienced California Edison equipment malfunction, creating power outage on East Coast Highway that shut down three traffic signals, adding to this year's challenges.



Traffic flowing onto the Peninsula

In coordination with the Police Department, Public Works was able to

improve traffic flow by adjusting signal timing and monitoring traffic patterns from the Traffic



Management Center (TMC). Additionally, staff was able to employ a couple of temporary generators at the key signals to keep them up and running. In preparation of this year's holiday, Civil Engineer, Bryan Loo, created special traffic signal timing plans based on prior experiences and observations and worked with Caltrans to help "flush" traffic from the heavily congested Peninsula and Newport Dunes areas. The City's efforts proved to be effective and improved traffic flow throughout the day, especially after the fireworks shows when revelers headed home.

BONITA CREEK PARK BECOMES DROUGHT FRIENDLY

The Bonita Creek Park Synthetic Field Turf Replacement Project is moving along nicely. The

grading is now complete and the contractor (Byrom-Davey, Inc.) is working to finish the new under drain and modified irrigation systems. All of this construction is in preparation for the installation of the synthetic turf system that will begin at the end of the July. The synthetic turf installation will continue through the entire month of August with an anticipated opening of the sports fields in early September. This will



Under Construction – Preparing for turf installation.



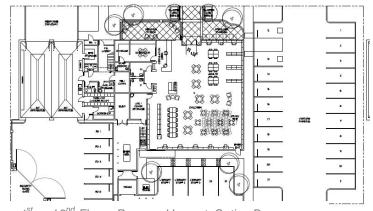
Grass fields prior to drought friendly turf installation.

be the first synthetic sport fields in the City. When complete, softball, youth soccer, and football will be programmed at the Bonita Creek Park. Field #1 and the reminder of park facilities will remain open during construction activities. For more information, please contact Peter Tauscher at (949) 644-3316.

CDM FIRE STATION AND BRANCH LIBRARY DESIGN RECEIVES COMMUNITY INPUT

The comments and suggestions received from a number of outreach meetings with the Library Board of Trustees and library patrons have been helpful in assisting staff and the project architect (WLC Architecture) shape the new mixed-use building into a functional facility for both Fire and Library operations.

WLC is currently developing the building exterior designs for the floor plan option that received the most "votes" from last month's Library



1st and 2nd Floor - Proposed Layout, Option D

Board meeting. Community meetings will be held in the coming weeks and months to exhibit the layout and renderings before WLC begins work on the final plans and specifications. For more information on this project, please visit our web site at: http://www.newportbeachca.gov/trending/projects-issues/corona-del-mar-library-fire-station.

DOVER DRIVE WESTCLIFF DRIVE REHABILITATION

If you have driven around Dover Drive and Westcliff Drive recently you will have noticed a lot of construction and traffic control. The City's contractor (All American Asphalt) has been busy working on repairing worn out sections of concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter, cross

gutter, driveways and ADA ramps along Westcliff Drive. They are also making some long overdue improvements to the storm drain system that crosses the intersection of Westcliff Drive and Dover Drive. Next week, work will move up Dover Drive between Irvine Avenue and Westcliff Drive with continued concrete removals and replacement. All concrete work is done prior to paving. This portion of Dover Drive (between Westcliff Dr. and Irvine Ave.) will be paved prior to Labor Day weekend and the start of school. The contractor also scheduled work by Mariner's Park so that the community would not be impacted for the 4th of July and the community parade.



Storm Drain under construction



Storm drain after concrete pour

MARINA PARK ON SCHEDULE

With the building shell virtually complete, the City's Contractor (KPRS Construction) is in the process of closing up the building and providing final finishes to the exterior. Scaffolding will be coming down in a couple weeks and the remaining pieces of glass will be installed in the lighthouse tower, community center and sailing center. Amenities such as shade structures, picnic tables and basketball courts are also being finished. The City is currently in the permitting process for the dock construction, which is anticipated to start in August.





Marina Park photos courtesy of Richard Finkel

RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: July 10, 2015









July is Parks Make Life Better Month!

We need nature more than ever; so let's go back to basics! Spending time outdoors has the power to nourish the human spirit, and heal us. The City of Newport Beach is fortunate to have amazing and diverse recreational opportunities within grasp such as our world renowned natural resources! Areas such as Back Bay, Buck Gully, the Little Corona Tide Pools, and the ocean (for that matter) provide us with accessible nature based recreation and oftentimes within a walking distance.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, today's kids are spending about seven hours a day on electronic media—more time than they spend in school...or at a full-time job! In fact, it is believed that this may be a key factor in some attention problems and obesity. But there is some good news folks; an easy fix: Go outside and play. "Playing in nature can positively impact health and well-being," writes the National Environmental Education Foundation.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention along with other groups affirm this idea. Time in nature can reduce stress, asthma, high blood pressure, anxiety, and improve general mental and physical health. By digging in the dirt, or identifying birds, people begin to sense their place in nature. So as society becomes more techno-centric, it is even more important to get outside, and enjoy nature!







OASIS Senior Sailors Rescue Two Men off Newport Beach Harbor

The crew of Oasis V had an opportunity to test their seamen's skills on Sunday, June 28 as they returned from a race aboard the OASIS Sailing Club's 34 foot Catalina Sailboat. The crew was waved down by two men treading water next to an over turned Sea-Doo personal watercraft, about a mile off the Newport Beach Harbor. The crew, under direction of Skipper Bill Jencks with Trainee Steve Sawdon at the helm, pulled the two men on board. One of the men began to go into shock and regurgitated a lot of sea water. Sawdon quickly radioed the Harbor Master who dispatched a rescue boat to assist and retrieve the half submerged watercraft. Club members Bill Badenoch, Don Sheridan and a guest focused on trying to warm up the sick men, while Oasis V made for the Coast Guard Station in the harbor.

The two men found were visiting the United States from their home in India and had rented the Sea-Doo for the day. Neither man would be considered a strong swimmer and were in serious danger when they toppled over. Lucky for them, the competent crew of the Oasis V was near. The OASIS Sailing Club is sponsored by the Friends of OASIS, a non-profit supporting the OASIS Senior Center. The club trains its crew to deal with "Man Overboard," and it paid off last Sunday!



<u>Summer Camp Fun is in Full Swing!!</u>

Starting up this year's lineup is the City run Summer Day Camps! Over 200 children have already started a memorable summer as they've enjoyed great trips, new friends, and exciting activities! Camps run weekly from the Community Youth Center (CYC) in Corona del Mar and Newport Elementary School (NEL) on the Balboa Peninsula; and take a weekly excursion to locations such as Disneyland, Knott's Berry Farm, the Cal Science Center and more! These amazing camps also feature biweekly walking excursions to CdM State

Beach or daily beach activities on the peninsula. Campers get the opportunity to boogie board, paddleboard, build castles and just be kids!

Summer Contract Camps weren't left behind as they kicked off on June 22 with a variety of fun and exciting programs for kids of all ages. There were 498 children who learned new skills, such as; riding waves in surf camp, creating beautiful masterpieces in sculpture camp, and becoming mini marine biologists in an ocean science camp. All the summer camps are booming with fun, are building new friendships, and cultivating new hobbies.





Last but not least, Recreation Staff has been working with Newport-Mesa Unified School District at Summer Camp Friendship! This great camp at the Harper campus offers autistic children in the NMUSD the opportunity to make new friends, learn the ways of social interaction, and enjoy games and crafts. Through this partnership, the Recreation Leaders work with school district staff to assist in conducting themed activities and games at the camp. In turn, the school district sends certified advisors to train our staff on working with autistic children in the community and throughout city programs. This is an excellent camp and the Department is excited to be involved!

All types of wonderful camps will run all summer long so to register for a City run camp or contract camp visit campnewport.com today!

Youth Government Day Recognition

The Newport-Mesa School District recognized two outstanding participants in our Mayor's Youth Council Program this year for their participation in Youth Government Day! The recognition took place before the Board Meeting on June 23rd at 6pm. Recreation Supervisor Jonathon Harmon spoke about the goals of Youth Government Day and thanked NMUSD for their continued support of this great program. Thank you to all our Youth Government Day participants, award recipients Elin Wolker from CdM High and Katie Hendrix from Newport Harbor High, as well as a special thank you to School Board Member Karen Yelsey.



Summer Swim is Here!

Summer at the pools launched on Monday, June 22. The summer season at Newport Harbor High School and the Marian Bergeson Aquatic Center at Corona Del Mar High School offers a wide variety of fun in the sun for all ages and abilities! Grab your swimsuit and join us for swim lessons, cool off at recreational swim, have some fun at Splash Bash, or just enjoy exercising during the extended lap swim hours until August 13!





<u>Independence Day Celebrations in Newport Beach</u>

The City participated in two amazing Independence Day celebrations created for the Newport Beach community. One event was held at Mariners Park while the other was held in the West Newport area allowing for participation for residents throughout the city.

The 4th of July is for Families event which was held in the West Newport area enabled several hundred people to participate in events which began with a parade led by Police Chief Johnson as he rode in a 1951 Victoria antique police vehicle followed by the Lido Fire Engine. The parade worked its way down Balboa Boulevard to the carnival at Channel Park. Activities included arts & crafts, carnival games, bouncers, doughnuts, Starbucks coffee, and Chronic Tacos breakfast burritos!

The Department is very grateful to Mayor Pro Tem Diane Dixon and City Manager Dave Kiff for being great sports at one of the highlight attractions: the dunk tank. Unfortunately for them, the kids who participated had very good aim, so the dunk tank volunteers stayed soaked! A special thank you to, Mayor Ed Selich, Mayor Pro Tem Diane Dixon and Council Member Tony Petros for participating in the parade and for the opening ceremonies.







On the other side of town, the Department partnered with the Mariners Elementary School Foundation to host the 43rd Annual Mariners Park Independence Day Parade & Celebration. Through the sale of attraction wristbands, sponsorships and opportunity basket drawings, this community staple helps raise funds to support the Mariners Elementary School Foundation.

The Newport Beach Police Department motorcycles and a Newport Beach Fire Department fire truck led the parade, and families in patriotic attire filled the streets. Activities included carnival games, a rock wall, balloon burst and a DJ playing music to enjoy. The celebration brought fun and great memories

at this successful event.

A special thank you goes to the Mariners School Foundation volunteers that helped organize the event, to Mayor Ed Selich, Council Member

Tony Petros and Parks, Beaches, & Recreation Commissioner Laird Hayes for participating in the parade and opening ceremonies.

Staff enjoyed seeing smiles on the children's faces and hearing laughter from all. The Department looks forward to the 2016 4th of July is for Families as well as the 44th Annual Mariners Park Independence Day Parade & Celebration.



Annual Churro Challenge

The 8th Annual Churro Challenge adult coed soccer tournament was hosted on Saturday, June 27 at Lincoln Athletic Center. Twelve teams of 7v7 competed in round robin format for trophies, shirts and mugs. The tournament was the last event of the Newport Beach Coed Soccer League (NBCSL) and their volunteer Board of Directors. Under the direction of NBCSL President Steve Streger, NBCSL has administered the adult soccer program and Churro Challenge since 2008. The NBCSL board has decided to "retire" to focus on their jobs, family and captain duties in the league. Recreation staff will take over administering the league. Thank you for your eight years of volunteer service NBCSL!

Something to Ponder

"We cannot become what we need to be by remaining what we are."
-Max de Pree



Wednesdays	Sunset Jazz at Newport For more information, Visit sunsetjazzatnewport.com
Sun. 7/12 6-7:30pm	Concerts on the Green "Sligo Rags" FREE Civic Center Green - 100 Civic Center Drive
Sat. 7/18 5pm	oASIS Summer concert Series "British Beat" \$10/pp oASIS-801 Narcissus Ave, cdM
Saf. 7/18 7pm	Shakespear by the Sea "The Tempest" FREE Bonita Canyon Sports Park - 1990 Ford Drive
Sat. 7/19 7pm	Shakespear by the Sea "As You Like It" FREE Bonita Canyon Sports Park - 1990 Ford Drive
Sat. 7/19	Flight of the Lasers (Boat Race) For more information, Visit Flightofthelasers.org
7/20-7/25	49th Annual Governor's cup (Boat Race) For more information, visit balboayachtclub.com/govcup
Sat. 7/25 9am-Noon	Monthly Beach Clean Up FREE Balboa Pier - 801 E. ocean Front
Thurs-Sun 7/30-8/9	Summer Youth/Family Musical "Snow off-White" for more information, visit ntaconline.com
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